bridges, factories, docks and beaches. Since its inception, the Auxiliary has been expanding its integration with the Coast Guard to allow for further assistance in any Coast Guard mission authorized by the Commandant. It is an organization of pride, bravery, and patriotism that works closely with the Coast Guard to ensure the safety and protection of the United States of America.

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is especially honored in a state such as Michigan. With five Great Lakes surrounding the borders of this state, maritime activity is a critical transportation method. Assistance from the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is essential to ensuring the safety of not only our tourists and residents, but also to all commercial traffic that use the lakes regularly. The men and women who serve with the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary in Michigan are not only revered for their service to the country, but also to the wellbeing and protection of all who venture in our Great Lakes.

On behalf of the Fourth Congressional District of Michigan, it is with great honor that I commemorate this 70th anniversary of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary for its continued years of successful assistance to the United States Coast Guard and to our wonderful state. Thank you, Auxiliarists for all that you have done and all that you will continue to do in the future.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

# HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, consistent with House Republican Earmark Standards, I am submitting the following earmark disclosure information for project requests that I made and which were included within H.R. 2892, "Making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes."

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN DUNCAN

Account: TSA, Aviation Security Project Amount: \$1,250,000.00

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Safe Skies Alliance, 110 McGhee Tyson Boulevard, Suite 201, Alcoa, Tennessee 37701

Description of Request: This funding will be used to create a research and training center that will provide critical improvised explosives recognition training to TSA Transportation Security Officers, law enforcement personnel, fire fighters, emergency services personnel, first responders and others.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

of south carolina
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately I missed recorded

votes on the House floor on Friday, June 19, 2009

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall vote No. 409 (On ordering the previous question to H. Res. 559), "nay" on rollcall vote No. 410 (On agreeing to H. Res. 559), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 411 (On agreeing to H. Res. 560), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 412 (On motion to recommit with instructions to H.R. 2918), "nay" on rollcall vote No. 413 (On passage to H.R. 2918), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 415 (On agreeing to article I of H. Res. 520), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 416 (On agreeing to article II of H. Res. 520), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 417 (On agreeing to article III of H. Res. 520), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 418 (on agreeing to article IV of H. Res. 520).

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, in accordance with House Republican Conference standards, and Clause 9 of Rule XXI, I submit the following member request. Funding for this request was authorized in H.R. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman PHIL GINGREY

Bill Number: H.R. 2647

Account: Army, RDTE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Georgia Institute of Technology

Address of Requesting Entity: Institute of Bioengineering and Bioscience, 315 Ferst Drive, NW Atlanta, Georgia 30332–0363

Description of Request: The \$3,000,000 authorized for the Center for Advanced Bioengineering and Solider Survivability (CABSS) will focus on research in advanced tissue and bone regeneration and wound care and treatment issues relevant to military trauma care. Fundamental research advances in these areas can lead to technologies and techniques for better immediate clinical combat care as well as address long term care issues involving limb loss, tissue and organ damage, facial and dental injuries, and reconstruction. The funding will be paid out at pre-negotiated rates in accordance with Department of Defense policy. Specifically, funds will be used to: establish a seed grant program to identify novel technologies for treatment of musculoskeletal defects following trauma, develop oriented nano-fiber meshes for treatment of neurologic defects following injury to the extremities, develop biodegradable shape memory polymers for treatment of large bone defects, develop biodegradable shape memory polymers for craniofacial reconstruction, and test the effects of sustained delivery of osteoinductive proteins in tubular nanofiber mesh scaffolds on functional repair of large segmental bone defects. Georgia Tech will continue to leverage this request to obtain funding from other sources. The Georgia Research Alliance has pledged additional money to the project for infrastructure and equipment, and past Congressional funding has been leveraged to successfully obtain funding from DoD's Orthopaedic Trauma Research Program and its Armed Forces Institute of Regenerative Medicine, as well as funding from the Musculoskeletal Transplant Foundation.

HONORING DAVID VON DOHLEN FOR TWO DECADES OF SERVICE THE GREEN HILLS ROTARY CLUB

## HON. JIM COOPER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. COOPER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor David von Dohlen, an upstanding member of the Nashville community, on the occasion of his retirement as treasurer of the Green Hills Rotary Foundation, a position he has held since 1989.

A charter member of the Green Hills Rotary Club, Mr. von Dohlen has freely contributed his time and efforts to the organization. He and his wife Betsy have participated in every club event and fundraising activity since the club's founding: the "Trees to Trails" Christmas tree recycling event, the Swing Dance dinner and auction, the Million-Dollar Shootout competition and the mini-car races in Centenial Park. He also volunteered his accounting skills as Club treasurer and treasurer of the Green Hills Rotary Foundation since its creation in 1989.

It should come as no surprise that Mr. von Dohlen has previously been recognized as the Green Hills Rotary Club's Man of the Year. Nor should it surprise anyone that, after twenty years of service, Mr. von Dohlen has elected to take a richly deserved break.

And so, Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to stand before this House today as a representative of David von Dohlen, a man who exemplifies the Rotary motto of "Service above Self." It is people like Mr. von Dohlen who strengthen our communities and show the way for future generations—not through grand deeds or gestures, but through a life lived in service to others.

Today I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting David von Dohlen for two decades of service to the Green Hills Rotary Club, the Green Hills Rotary Foundation and to the people of Nashville, Tennessee. We celebrate his many contributions to our community and to our country. And in a week in which the President launched a national "Summer of Service," we commend Mr. von Dohlen to our fellow Americans as a model of what citizenship and service can be.